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OCTOBER.

There comes a month in the weary year, A month of leisure and healthful rest; When the ripe leaves fall, and the air is clear October: the brown, the crisp, the blest. I drag the days of the odd eleven, counting the time that shall lead to this, The mouth that opens the hunter's heav

And O for the mornings crisp and white, With the sweep of the hounds upon the trac The bark-roofed cabin, the camp-fire's light, The break of the deer and the rifles crack Do you call this triffing ? I tell you, friend, A life in the forest is past all praise, live me a dozen such months on end. You may take my balance of years and days.

For brick and mortar breed filth and crime, And a pulse of evil that throbs and beats; And men grow withered before their prime With the curse paved in on the lanes and stre

And Death stalks in on the struggling crowd But he shuns the shadow of oak and pine. and of all to which the memory clings, There is naught so sweet as the sunny sp here our shanties stood by the crystal spr

seeing that. The fact of the matter is,

tried to buy the widow out. I'd said

over and over again, Margaret Ann, you

he had in hand, mixing everything up

You see I couldn't help it. The con-

cern paid, and widow Wood owned just

as I did. If I said "Margaret Ann, go

waited on a customer. She never

did anything but bother and pry. She

had no children to occupy her, and she

brought her white poodle along with

in the big house opposite; and that

was why she had us come to tea so much

when he died, a bald-headed, stoop-

up my mind to put an end to her capers,

"Margaret Ann," said I, one day,

We need one, and I have engaged one,

"I am glad you coincide with me.

nd I knew he was accepted.

not crusty if I am a bachelor."

'Richard," says she, "a

with her face flaming.

Ann in the office in a towering rage,

She's exactly what I thought, exactly!

"And he didn't want her to, I sup-

"You know what men are," says she,

"What has that to do with it?" says

No." said I, "but they are engaged,

And then-well, I didn't mind it; it

idn't hurt me a bit, but that woman

urned around and slaved me in the

"Such actions in a respectable store!

out beautifully, considering. Lilly took

Wood is," she said, as we were folding

What a nice, pleasant lady Mrs.

"Dear me," she said, with her head

"O I wasn't thinking of what you

were saying," said she, "I'm surprised

about my key. "I'm sure I hung it

here. A little brass door key, with a

nick in the handle and piece of pink ribbon tied to it. I can't think where it

Well, we both looked everywhere,

We unrolled packages and peeped into

floor. Lilly went worrying about get-

week, for which I was truly trankful.

ropose her coming here, Richard?"

'Don't berieve it," says she.

'It's Gospel truth," says I.

ace, she was so hopping mad.

"Glad to hear it."

under the counter.

praise her too much.

"Why, they-at least-did he

se, and halloed for help ?" says I.

"Didn't he kiss her first?" says I.

of course he kissed her back."

"Well, what is it?" says L.

dessed morning.

Margaret Ann.

"No better than she should

said nothing.

houldered man, with solemn ways

Well, this went on for nearly a year.

"So lonesome," she said she was,

nome," she could have said "I've a

and giving him no end of trouble.

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tion; but, you see Margaret Ann was a fool-she was a widow of forty-to set COLUMBIA.....TENNESSEE. her cap for young Sam Spencer, who was only twenty-four. If I was her Board, \$2 per Duy. brother-in-law, and if Ben had said to me, as he did, "Richard, always be

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the rule that where a superior dines with | found out about your Lilly Richardson. | fool, Richard Wood, Lord forgive you. an inferior the latter brings in the first dish himself, a practice not without precedent at western courts. The bringing a dish is, however, in Persia no light undertaking, and requires considerable skill, strength and practice, for the manner in which the operation is performed is, especially at court, strictly prescribed. The dish or tray must be held at arm's length, carried perfectly horrizontally, and deposited precisely in the right place at once. Some ludicrous stories are related about this practice. One old gentleman with a magnificent beard had to bring in a large tray containing several dishes, and place it in front of the shah. The tray was heavy, the bearer was feeble, and, to make matters worse, just as he was about to deposit, acandle, which he had not observed, set fire to his magnificent beard. For a moment he was in a state of the utmost perplexity. To put down the tray elsewhere than in its appointed place, an operation which required some deliberation, was out the question. To allow his cherished beard to be consumed was also impossiplunging his flaming beard into a dish You depraved brute!" says she, and here!" she said. "Nice young lady of curds which stood on the tray he marched out and didn't come back for a certainly." calmly completed his task, amidst the applause and amusement of the be-

olders .- Hearth and Home. -New York has its "Delmonico's and Chicago has its "Brown's," The a great notion to her. waiters at Brown's wear white neck-ties. Coffee is 25 cents a cup, cream 10 cents things up that night; and so pretty for at her and felt sorry for her after all. extra, and an average dinner costs about her age. I think she is splendid." \$5. But it must not be supposed, says the Advance, that the patrons of Brown's all role in wealth. A good many young bloods chew Brown's toothpicks who de not pay their tailors' bill and cannot

afford to get married." -The Nevada Chinamen working among the mines never labor after four o'clock in the afternoon, having a firm belief that at that hour the angels leave

-Mr. Young of the bureau of statistic says that only 18,000 Americans went to Europe this year; and our foreign obli gations, all told are \$1,000.000,000.

O., has just been admitted to the bar, she could get in, said said that Rosa was very next steamer that sailed from New and will commence practice.

Rosa was her sister. The two were orphans, and kept house together in one ittle room of a respectable tenement

"Tve always had ten ready before Rosa got in," said Litly; "to-night she will have to wait."

Its odd how we remember little things sometimes. Perhaps the girl's pretty, puzzled face and graceful motions, as she ran about looking for the key, impressed this one on my mind. At all events we did not find the notched key tied with a pink ribbon, and Lilly went home without it. I told Margaret Asn about it when I saw her next, and she inquired very politely of Lilly as to the end of the affair, when she next saw her. The key was never found, but Lilly said she had had two made, so that such a thing could never happen again. She could keep one and Rosa

the other. "And, as I presume it was lost here, you must have the value of it from us, aid Margaret Ann. "Its not much, but its just." And that I thought very kind of the widow Wood, considering Well, time passed on, and one day was about like the other. Winter went I don't say brother Ben's widow and summer came. People began to go wasn't good looking for her age and to the country, and trade was dull. size. Then, too, she had a pretty penny And Sam told me that he and Lilly were well if she wanted to change her condi-Ann's colored girl stepped across the

to see me. Of course I went over; and when I got into the back parlor I found Margaret Ann wrapped up in a shawl! her kind to Margaret Ann." I couldn't help eves red with crying.

street and told me her mistress wanted

"Anything happened?" says I.
"Yes," said she, "I'm afraid so. that, as a general thing, widows do make fools of themselves oftener than I'm so sorry !" "Dear me! Do mention the fact, In this case I admit the age was the says I. "Well," says she, "I can hardly bear only obstacle. Sam was a good young man, above selling himself to a woman to do so; but, who has a chance at the

safe besides you and me?" "Nobody but Lilly Rathbone," says I "You are sure?" says she. "Why, of course," says I. "Ah, well !" saysshe, " perhaps there sanother way out of it. Maybe you've had occasion to use that money of mine.

have plenty and to spare, why not re-tire?" but you see she wouldn't. Ben had left his share of the furniture to I mean the one thousand dollar bank her, and she wouldn't drop it. After note that I put in there in a red pocketawhile I found out the reason. It was book last week." "No," said I. "Of course I'd spo That is why she liked to sail about ken of it. It was your private money. the store in her dead black silk; that is "Its gone, Richard," says she why she was always finding some ex-You saw me look into the safe to-day?" use to hand down that part of the stock

'Yes," said L "Well," says she, "it was gone then couldn't bring myself to speak of it. You see a girl like that has so many temptations; going to marry and all. Richard, promise me you won't have right here." That was it. She never her arrested, or anything, if it is her." resited on a customer. She never "It is not!" I cried. "Besides, it prosecutor to any thief."

> let her go; but I must get it back, and she must leave the store. "How can you think so ill of the girl?" said I. "Why don't you suspect me am ever so much more of a doubtful character than she is."

Big eyes at Sam, sweet smiles, soft "You are my brother-in-law," said argaret Ann. "Now listen to reason, I used to wonder whether Margaret Ann. old Ben knew how soon he had been Come to the store with me and we'll forgotten. To be sure he was sixty If we don't find it. I shall charge Lilly with the theft to-morrow and if she dosen't confess, get a search warrant for her rooms. I'll be very about him; but she'd been his wife for twenty-three years, and though I'm a kind, but I can't lose a sum like that. achelor I know what feelings ought to She cried again. I did realy feel that And Ben was my brother, too. I she was in great trouble. We went to hope it wasen't wicked of me to make the store again and searched the safe, but the money was all gone. Margaret as far as Sam went, and tell him that Ann had the number in her pocket-book. ve wanted a young lady as cashier, and It was easy to identify, and besides the vhy not? and if Lilly Rathbone could poor girl was in a suspicious position, ave Grigg & Crater, I'd give her the and I said if she should prove guilty my lace. Sam was in love with Lilly, I faith in human nature was gone. knew that, but Margaret Ann had not

we will have a new cashier to-day. I went home to tea with my sister-inlaw, but we had not much appetite. "Well," said Margaret Ann, "per-She promised not to come to the store haps we do. I hope he's a nice young

man and good looking. Good looks ful, and to give the girl every chance. And so we parted. I arose to say good night, and came around the table ays I, and laughed to myself, for I Margaret Ann was thinking of to shake hands with Margaret Ann, when, being a clumsy old batcheler, not somebody else to flirt with. But I 't was fun to see her face change in a little wicker-work sewing-basket, when she saw Lilly behind the counter on long spider-legs, and overset it. Out next day. And she gave it to me in the tumbled cotton, buttons and tape, and I private office, I can tell you. She hated stooped to pick them up, when among emales about a store, and she didn't them I saw a key, a brass door key, with like Lilly's looks. I could laugh at a nick in it and a long piece of pink ribher, however, there. I had good refer- bon tied to the handle. It was a very

self, and I suppose she knew it, for she to look at my sister-in-law. And I

with Mr. Wood. Many a time he's ing in the room. I heard it count the thought a woman everything that was hours, ten, eleven, twelve, and kept

says Margaret Ann. "I saw her kiss always gave at the office door. Sam Spencer behind the counter this There was another knock, a pause then I heard the key turn in the lock and saw the door open and my sister-inlaw come in. She looked about her, across the room. Then, God forgive the woman; I suppose she was mad with saw I was in earnest, and I was, she or difficulties of life. You get my her neat little bed in the corner, and cooked me as good a dinner as any poor to quit living, there's got to be a law-"Well, she let him, anyhow," says taking a red pocket-book thrust it under, Well," says I, "I suppose you used kiss Ben after you were engaged, if pulling the quilt well down about the

> there are two words to that matter.' I walked out of the closset and stood with my back to the outer door. She knew herself trapped, but her wicked tongue had its way still.

"I never came here before," said I "and you know it; but I've been here and amiability; she talked to Lilly and all day waiting for you. I saw Lilly's smiled at Sam, and she really did come key in your basket last night, and I began to guess the truth. Bring me that pocket-book."

as death and almost as cold. I looked "You're my brother's widow," I said, and a poor foolish jealous creature. I havn't told you one of my suspicions yet, and I never will on two conditions.' "Name them," said she. I can not "Sister-in-law, you kr w," said I; "Name the one of the family; it won't do to help myself," "You'll retire from the business,

said I. "Glad to do it," said she. "And you'll give that thousand dollar bill to Lilly as a wodding present." She looked at me and gave a great

Nasty little cat!" said she, won't. But she did, and only I ever knew boxes, and poked down cracks in the why the widew Wood was so generous to Lilly Rathbone on her wedding day, Mass Florence Chonese of Kenton, ting a locksmith to fit an other before or why she started for Europe on the York and still remains there.

The Insurance Business.

If there is any animal in the animated or three kinks in your backbone!" world that exhibits a striking example to get rid of one is to put him out at changed my opinion much, if any. barbarians, their chief and upper classes | the back door and set a "yaller" dog after him, and then ten chances to one attire, and something like civilization, but he'll holler back to know if you don't want to take out a policy on the dog. They've got the perseverance of a a black mith's bellows, and more gab than a Yankee auctioneer. There is no horrible massacres and debaucheries go use telling one that you don't wish to peculiarities, the nearest approach to a take stock in his company, for he'll keep at you till you insure your own life, or

I can't remember, just at present when the business was first instituted, but I do remember that it has been carried to a perfection of aggravation that is absolutely unbearable to any man who has as much nervousness about him as an oyster. They're found on the railroads, on the steamboats, in the hotels, bar-rooms, and occasionally one of them is so fortunate as to blunder into the penitentiary. No village is so quiet, no neighborhood so completely lost in the woods but one of these chaps will find his way into it, with his books and papers, and cause more trouble and confusion than a bastard mulatto or the I once received a call from one of

them, but I guess I disgusted him with the business, for which I certainly deserve a pension. He was a tall, slim, butter-tongued fellow, with patent-leather boots, kid gloves, and his hair parted in the middle, and I may as well emark that the last item disgusted me almost as much as his business did. 1 was intently engaged at the time trying to stay on the sharp side of a devilish mule, in which I didn't succeed to any great extent, and was in no humor for foolishness, as anybody with half sense could have seen, but it made no difference with him. "Good morning, stranger," said he.

'I'm in the life insurance business." "The thunder you are !" said I. "Yes," said he, "and it is the duty of every man to have his life insured. Death is going about like a roaring jackass, and no man knows when his

own time will come."

Strange that I had not heard of it before!" said I. "But I don't feel sick "Just so, but we fall sick and die when we least expect it," he replied. had better have your own life insured," diseases and foot peddlers?"

"No, I can't do any of that," he resomewhat astonished at my method of putting questions. "Well," I continued, "will you inthen take a new start?" Will you ingive me the headache? Will you insure the bugs not to eat my cabbage, and the rogues not to steal my watermelons, and the moccasins not to get

into my fish-trap?" "No, I tell you!" he replied, getting just a little excited at my questions. Well," I went on, "do you propose by a woman, nor hooked by a bull, nor rnn over by a blind horse?" As for Coomassie, the capital, accounts 'No_I_wont !" said he.

differ; one statement making it out a "Then what in thunder do you propoor, straggling place of mean huts; pose to do?' I asked. and and , a really fine and imposing "I told you I would insure your frica. Bowditch, who went there in 1817, paints it as a remarkable "But I've named over every way that place. He speaks of a population of a man can possibly be killed or scared to death," said I, "and if you can't in-

sure me against any of them, what's the The Richmond Whig recites this inci-"My good friend," replied he, "I'll You see, you pay a certain amount of money every year, and then

After breakfast, I straggled to a cami fire just in time to hear Charles B. say if you die, your wife and children get-"Uncle Pleasant, you are the only man say ten thousand dollars. Ain't it in the company who got a box and a 1 tter yesterday, and you have a good wife, "Ain't what grand?" I inquired; "my and no mistake." Uncle Pleasant, who death, or the money, or my wife and was aged sixty, and the company commissary replied, "Yes, we have lived

"Hang it!" he replied, "wouldn't it grand to have that much money paid to them after your death?" "I think it would be a blamed sight boy. You see, I married what grander to have it paid to them before my death, so that I could see them cut

and I took her to my new log house, where grand it is, or whether they will get it, after I am gone where I can't look and such other things as a poor man ought to have. Next day I went to get "But you know before you die that shingles, and when I come home she they will get it," said he.
"I'll be hanged if I know any such hadn't got no dinner. I didn't say anything !" I replied. "Suppose I kill my

fool self in some of my sprees-how been working. The next day it was the same thing, and while my dander got "Then your family will get none of up, I didn't say nothing, and again she it, if your death is caused by your own eat heartily, as if she liked my cooking mightily. The third day I came home

fault," said he. "Well," I inquired further, "suppose my wife kills me for the purpose of getting the money-what would you do then? "Refuse to ray her a cent," he re-

"Then the only chance for my family to get back any of the money that I pay you every year is to lie down and as easy as possible," I remarked. 'Must die a natural death," said he.

My young friend," said I, solemn-"I am very sorry to inform you that your business is an overgrown humbug, and a delusion and a snare and a cheat. Here you propose to insure my life, but inquest to know how I died, and what I died for. Then the chances are that the lawyers will get half the money, and my wife will marry some chap who will fellow who will kill me on the sly for Perhaps in all the chronicles of seems that it is only for the last ten years that very accurate statistics have

have been registered as emigrants not | said I. less than 300,000 men, nearly all in the full vigor of life, but, if all not officially recorded were added, this would probably swell the list to nearly half a million, chiefly of the rural classes. On the other hand, there were rather over 100,000 persons returning or

of these were of classes that would be best company on the globe." added to the population of the towns. The emigration fever began in West Prussia chiefly, but has now extended largely to the most eastern districts of the kingdom, where it is at its highest." -The telegraph line to the top of Pike's peak has been completed and communication opened with Washingerected on the summit for the use of the signal officers, four of whom will be stationed there during the winter.

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signal officers, four of whom will be stationed there during the winter.

signal officers, four of whom will be scold? In short, will you insure me a good time, generally, and keep off all ter. If I live, you get the money, and terrier style. Probably it is only a slow stupid boy, who cannot learn his and the Punjab, the poorest Indian after a certain number of revolution

and you are an imposter; and if you ever name the subject to me again in the flesh, I'll trouble myself to kick two So saying, I took the other fork of of the doctrine of total depravity, that the road and left him to his reflections, animal is a modern life insurance agent. | which appeared to be of a very serious For brass, impudence, cheek and general cussedness, they can beat the world and tenance he put on. Since then I've half the other place. The only chance studied the question all over, and havn't

The "Poor Whites." correspondent of the St. Louis

Globe has been traveling among those mosquito, the impudence of a fice dog, and the hang-on-ativeness of a stripedhead turtle, added to as much wind as Tennessee, North Carolina and Georgia. They are a population with many marked American type, if there is such a thing,

the baby at home, but, as it would cry if hungry, they provide against that contingency. They tie a string to a piece of fat meat, and, putting the end in young "Sandlapper's" mouth, they tie the other end of the string to his big to be in the string to his big to be in the string to his big to the other end of the string to his big to the other end of the string to his big to think that a anyway of the English patents issued, including re-issues and dehis throat, and begin to be strangled, a bench would show a vast proportion of naturally vigorous kick brings it out lean men over fat ones, to which Sir

Bacon and corn bread and "sowins," preparation of flour and molasses, form their general fare. The nomenclature is peculiar, especially of places. In Georgia: "There is 'Shinbone Ridge,' ticuler localities. It reminded me of Chief Justice Gascoigne, who committed North Carolina names. Theretheyhave Prince Harry for contempt; Page, a

Building an Arab House.

First of all, the men employed roved about and collected together all manner of fragrants of brick and stone from the mound, and, indeed, I had to watch them closely to prevent them taking anything of consequence. With these fragments they brought a number of modern sun-dried bricks from the old village, and, when a sufficient amount to lay out the plan of the house by government a sergeant-at-law; and cu-"Well, if you feel any symptoms you of materials was heaped together I had walls. The men then made some Arab mortar; for this purpose they dug up and turned over a large square space of sure me to live a hundred years, and ground, and some donkeys were engaged o bring skins full of water and loads of sure my hair not to turn gray, or my dung. Next the earth, water and dung teeth not to fall out, or my toes not to were mixed, some of the natives taking have corns on 'em, or my whisky not to off their superfluous clothing, to tread in the pudding with their bare feet, and mix it with their hands; looking like splendid specimens of mud larks. Each piece of brick and stone was well bedded in this mortar, which was laid on and faced with the hands. As soon as the walls were sufficiently high the workman found that they made a screen both from my observation and the heat mule, nor swindled by a lawyer, nor of the sun, and coming round the corkilled by a doctor, nor preached to death by a preacher, nor talked to death company of them lying on the ground, smoking their pipes. were finished donkeys were engaged, and the whole party went on an excursion to the banks of the Zab to collect and cut brushwood for the roof. This job lasted them two or three days, and then fresh mud pies were made to bind the brushwood and complete the roof. A staircase, built up to the roof, made as usual of brick and mud, finished the elegant structure. - Cor. London Telegraph.

The Price of the Emerald.

The price of the emerald has no fixed mond, and the fluctuations of its value louis; and beyond this weight no rule of value could be established. In 1600 emeralds were so plenty as to be worth only a quarter as much as the diamond. up about it. How am I to know how The markets were glutted with the frequent importations from Peru, and fourteen years before the above-mentioned period one vessel brought from South of fine emeralds, worth at the present worth no more than twenty-four francs little man. Meagre as he was, his body-(or about five dollars) the caret, and for a long time antecedent to 1850 they most insatiable glutton he ever knew. were valued at only fifteen dollars the He was nearly always eating. He set caret. Since this period they have be- the fashion of having a fowl and bottle come very rare, and their valuation has of wine placed by the bedside in case of advanced enormously. In fact, the value of the emerald now exceeds that was of this that he condescended to inof the diamond, and is rapidly approach- vite Moliere—the lean Moliere—to paring the ratio fixed by Benevenuto Cel-ini in the middle of the sixteenth cen-Versailles declined to sit at table with tury, which rated the emerald at four the greatest poet of the age. Louis XV. times, and the ruby at eight times, the was moderately stout; he had no brains, value of the diamond. Perfect stoves M. de Chauvelin, his minister, was tre-(the emerald is exceedingly liable to flaw, the beryl is more free, and the green saphire is rarely impaired by fissures cr cracks) of one caret in weight are worth at the present day two hundred dollars in gold. Perfect gems of two carets, weight will command five hundred dollars in gold, while the lar-ger stones are sold at extravagant

To a devout mind nothing of all icon-

oclasm in Spain is more impressive than the destruction of St Ter sa's convent get drunk on the other half. Or, per- at Avila. She founded it in the year 1554, haps she will make a bargain with some when she was unknown and very poor. half the money. Or, suppose I die church there is no instance recorded of licacy bid us abstain from saying anyfair and square, perhaps she will marry greater faith. It was objected that four thing about the four Georges; although some man who will have a big time ducats, her only means, could never much might be written on the injustice in getting at the contents of the safe, spending my money, and I not be all found a convent. "No," she replied, of those accusations of stupidity lowed to come back and break his neck. "Teresa and four ducats can do nothregistry has been kept, and from this it is hown that the numbers emigrating You've got too many chances to my ing, it is sure; but God, Teresa, and was certainly more gentleman than powder into the openings, tamped them, is nown that the numbers emigrating from 1844 to 1871 were not less than none. If I go 'possum hunting and cut four cucats can do everything." She fool; but there can be no harm in reach the lighted the fuse. from 1844 to 1871 were not less than 640,000, of whom three-fourths were adults, and two-thirds of these of the male sex. In the twenty-seven years there may, therefore, be considered to vation, collections being made at the a great man, was as thin as a herring; packages of greenbacks, and then the of the hydro-choloride of the carbonate church doors to supply these unfortu- his consort Mary was just a little less robbers ordered the passengers to of beeswax, tinetured with the muriatic "Then I wish you would ride this dingnation mule," said I, as the animal of them were rich and of noble families."

"Then I wish you would ride this dingnation mule," said I, as the animal of them were rich and of noble families. the principal of their dowries was given began to exhibit strong symtoms of letby their parents in the same way that a battledores of contradictory cases. In bers relieved them of between \$8,000 here, or else there is a heap o' fuss and ing me get down.

"Have your life insured, by all marriage-portion is bestowed. This has been confiscated by the government, and request; "it's one of the greatest institution of the greatest instit request; "it's one of the greatest institutions of the age, and I represent the
best company on the globe."

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Tageth and interest is withheld. Interest is withheld. In the loureest wards the close of his life, a man-mountain. In the literature of the last centruly or value. value of the materials; the altar-pieces tury we recall plump little Mr. Gibbon, not to have the measles, nor the itch, and priceless paintings trampled in the the hardest student and worker of his nor the toothache, nor the colic, nor the dust, and they themselves turned into century; fat Capt. Grose, the antinor the toothache, nor the cone, nor the cholera-morbus? Will you insure me not to be kicked by a mule, blown up in a steamboat, bit by a mad dog, struck had relays of mules constantly running a the streets to be and steamboat, bit by a mad dog, struck had relays of mules constantly running had relayed had relayed had relayed had relayed had relayed had relayed had r between their town and Santander, in was a spectre; Southey had a lean and and nearly as rich; and the province the general manner of conclusion in the by lightning, or batted by a biny goat? Will you insure the chimney not to smoke, the butter to come quick, the daily fresh from the sea. Great, indeed, smoke, the butter to come quick, the daily fresh from the sea. Great, indeed, mere mite of a man. Nearly the only first-class European state. The province was a spectre; Southley had a lean and attached to it is on an equality with a stacked to it is on a

ates, during the war, at Macon, Ga., is if I die, I lose it—that's about the way

LONG AGO. Two roses bloomed upon a tree:
Their white leaves touched with every swaying.
I bent to gather one, while she
Plucked off the other, gently saying,
When things do grow and cling like this,
And death almost appeareth loath
To take but one, 'twere greater bliss
To both for death to smite them both.'

Lost love! Dead love! They come and go,
The summers with their sun and flowers.
Their songs of birds. I only know
There is a blight upon the hours.
No sun is like the once bright sun
That shone upon that golden weather,
In which she said those flowers were one,
And death should spare or smite together.

INTELLECT IN FAT MEN. Apropos of the discussion in the Tichorne trail between the lord chief justice and Dr. Kenealey on fat men, the London Telegraph remarks : The opinion of the lord chief justice, most temprovincial departure from the regular perately and tolerantly expressed, was that there are numbers of very stout that the country probably affords out-side of the "Pikes," the "Argonauts," shrewdness as any thin ones. Courthe cattle ranches, and the hunters and | teously declining to deal with the livtrappers of the west, none of which are properly a settled community. These late Sergeant Wilkins, who was certainly "Crackers," and "Sandlappers," and no dullard, and who must have mea-"Tar Heels" are generally mountain sured an unconscionable number of folks, living poorly, the women having inches round the waist. Dan'l Lambert, again, who was so corpulent that when and the men universally the slaves of he died his friends were fain to bury "bacca" and the pipe:

"But with all their faults they take forte, and to convey him to the cemegood care of their children. When they tery in a broad-wheeled wagon, was a go out to work in the fields they leave the baby at home, but, as it would cry lent man of business. Sir Alexander

If he should suck the meat down to think that a survey of the English they worked so har l. Dr. Kenealey had, nevertheless, the better of this section of the argument. It can be of the patentees: shown, by a review of judicial portraits, and Rattlesnake Holler,' Devils Mouth,' that we have only had three judges who a gap in the mountains; 'Whisky Bot- were distinguished at once for embonand 'Moccasin Gap,' names of pars point and for mental attainm ats :

'Skunk's Misery,' 'Hell's Delight,' savage judge, unpleasantly known for patents by states and territories and the 'Bellyache,' a swamp." at nisi prius, notably in ejectments; and Jeffreys-Lord Chancellor Jeffreysthough his fat was alcoholic and bleated, and not the unctuous beefiness of an honest man. Sir Matthew Hale was as thin as a whipping-post; Cooke, the attorney-general of the Regicides, had no fat on his bones; on the other hand, Bradshawe, the president of the high court of justice, was a big, coarse, fleshy man. It may here be noted that Bradshawe was only under the legitimate riously many wearers of the coif who Maine arranging lines of brick and fragments have never risen to the bench have been Maryland Sergeant Arabin; and the case of Sergeant Wilkins we have already mentioned. Let it be likewise remembered that, although for three hundred years we have had no fat lord chancellors, the keeper of the royal conscience was, in the days of ecclesiastical charcellors, usually a very portly personage. sey was aldermanie in proportions; nor was St. Thomas a becket, at whose addictedness to game pie and rare bur-gundy dean hook has delicately hinted, at all approximate to a skeleton in di-

It is true that, toward the close of his life, the saint practised the times from 1837, the date of the present banting system in an exaggerated de- organization of the bureau, to 1872, may gree; and, but for the judicious exam- be seen by the following comparative ple of Sir Alexander Cockburn, which exhibit : bids us abstain from bringing forward living illustrations of the argument, pro and con, we might point to the experience of a certain eminent upholsterer who once wrote a very remarkable book. and who therein proved most triumphantly that fatness and dulness do not necessarily go together. The subject discussed between the bench and the counsel for the defence, so abounds with exceptions to any rule which the controversialists might strive to estab-

lish, that it would only be by laboriously summing up the number of known cases on either side and striking a balance that anything like a satisfac tory conclusion could be formed. It is and extended scale, like that of the dia- at the same time next to impossible to ascertain such a balance, from the conluring the past three centuries from an tinual additions that would be suggested interesting chapter in the history of both to the debtor and creditor side of Two hundred years ago the the account. Napoleon the Great will, price of small stones of the first qual- of course, be claimed by the thin side ity was one louis the caret; one and a He was, indeed, in youth deplorably half carets, five louis; two carets, ten lank, and it was by a mere bag of skin and bones that Lodi Castiglione, the pyramids and even Arcola was won. Yet Austerlitz was gained by a stout emperor, and at Leipsic he had become approached the question we are baffled and checked in our efforts at solution. Take the later kings of France. Louis America two hundred and three pounds XIV. was undeniably clever, and, for all his towering wig and high-heeled valuation more than seven millions of shoes, the undertakers found out, at his dollars. At the beginning of this cen- demise, that the grand monarque had tury, according to Caire, they were always been a lean, hatchet-faced, and

surgeon declared him to have been the waking up and feeling hungry, and it mendously fat; he had "plenty brains." Louis XVL was much stouter than his grandfather, and he was an essentially

was a coarse unmannerly boor; he was neither fat nor lean; while Louis XVIII. the wit, the genius of the family-the cunning old joker who so snugly ensconsced himself in the sheets of Napoleon's state bed was phenomenally fat. His subjects used to call him "Louis Cochon," and "Louis des Huithe tres." Obvious considerations of de-

'Pickway," and of the late admirable comedian, Mr. Keeley, as a corpulent lad in "To Parents and Guardians," suggest themselves irresistibly to the mind; but, turning from the fat boys of flction to those of fact, a very slight amount of medical knowledge will suffor the reason that they are in a chronic men are so very easy to catch." state of discomfort and unrest. Yet -A dyeing establishment in this city here, again, we are brought up sharply has a mixture which is called the purple by the reminder that babies cannot be | dye. It is a strange coincidence that a

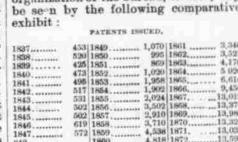
The Patent Office. The annual report of the commis- seats could only be hollowed out so as

United States.....

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not only flattering to its prosperity and ov a man, i studdy hiz vices more than magnitude, but shows that it is one of the few, very few, self-supporting branches of the government.

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1872, the receipts and expenditures were as and keep all the time skimming the sur-



noizy as shot in a blown-up bladder. The purest and best specimens ov human natur that the world haz ever De Quincey's Method of Composition It is singular but true, that Thomas De Quincey must be included in the "off hand," it might be said slap-dash," authors. The sentences of the opium-eater seem at first sight to be constructed with extreme deliberation and a sedulous attention to the choice of every word. In the miscelaneous essays of De Quincey, more especially, the style is measured and unnurried. The slow paragraphs roll on through mazes and parentheses, with subtle pauses, involutions, complicated connections, and far-reaching illusions, line after line, page after page almost, and the reader seems listening to the utterances of some sage delivering his refound thoughts in centences as de berate as "the occasion requires." The real fact is that De Quincey was make the tale. I kant tell now whether one of the most off-hand of writers. When the mood of composition came, he sat down at once, scrawled with great rapidity in his shaky handwriting page after page, without taking the trouble to alter or erase; threw the written sheets over his shoulder one by one, and having "wreaked himselfeupon expression" and gotten rid of his ideas went back to his decanter of laudanum entirely oblivious and equally careless of the litter upon the floor. That litter was picked up, assorted, and sent to Blackwood, and the author only Mr. saw his work again when it was in print. It is all collected now in volumes, this hasty scrawling of a great

avidity.-Hearth and Home.

genius, and the world reads it with

Highway Robbery in Nevada. dull, stupid, honest man. The count comes from Nevada, where four bold of Artois, afterwards Charles X., was in | brigands recently waylaid and pillaged his youth a scapegrace and in old age a a stage-coach while going to a village in simpleton; he was very thin. The duke of Angouleme was next door to an passengers aboard, and they had just idiot; he was thin. The Duc de Berry emerged from a thicket when four men sprang from behind the rocks, and seizing the horses by the briddles bade the driver get down and take the horses from the coach. Next the passengers were told to dismount and seat themselves on a redwood log. As each of the robbers held a double-barrelled shot gun, the order was obeyed with alacrity. The passengers sat still as mice under cover of the shot-guns, and silently watched the operations of the robber -The greatness of India is hardly Datlas News.

it works. I repeat it, the business is a humbug, your company is a swindle,

leaving the following note to comfort the heart of her husband: "Dear William-Good by. Do not mourn for the children, for none of them are vours. -Warner, in his "Backlog Studies, says there are still at empts made to bring up a family round a "register," but you might just as well try to bring it up by hand as without the rallying fice to convince us that fat school-boys point of a hearthstone. and fat school-girls are nearly always -A lady, showing to a friend the very stupid, because abnormal corpulation photograph of herself and husband, lence in boyhood or girlhood really was told that the gentleman's was much amounts to disease. The sufferers are the better likeness. "Yes, my dear, slow to talk, and seem slower to think, she answered, "but then you know that

too fat, and what mother would tolerate | man who had a very sick dog the other

the assertion that babies are stupid? day expressed his apprehensions in pre-

It is worse than idle to dogmatize on cisely the same language,

HUMOROUS. -Ruskin declares that in color robin

redbreast is "outshone by a brickbat;" and he might add that robin redbreast

frequently is outflown by a brickbat, particularly when a wicked boy projects

-One of Gen'l Jackson's corn-cob

pipes is to be seen in Nashville, Any one who has access to a corn-crib can

make one of these pipes, and if he is good at lying he can exhibit a valuable

-A Missouri woman recently eloped,

-The Danbury News fellow says

The majority of women care but little

about suffrage. If the backs to car

-A John Bull, conversing with an

"No," said the Indian. "Do you know

-If an edge tool is so hard as to

crumble, grind it on a dry stone until

the edge turns blue; it will then cease

to break, and the temper will generally

prove to be about right. Scythes and

axes are sometimes too hard at the edge,

but if treated in this way will give no

-H Columbus had put one dollar at

nterest, six per cent. compound, when

time it would amout to over \$2,000,000,-

000. If one of the pilgrims had put

\$200 at six per cent. compound interest,

to-day it would amount to enough to

purchase the New England states at as-

what proves a man's karakter; to be a

bul-frog amung tadpoles don't amount

kan't " see ourselves as others see us;"

the sight would take all the starch out

There is lots ov pholks in this world

who kan keep nine out ov ten of the

commandments, without enny trubble

at all, but the one that is left they kant

Expektashun is the child ov Hope,

Jealous people alwas luv themselves

nore than they do those whom they are

Curiosity iz the germ ov all enter-

prises; men dig for woodchucks more

for curiosity than they do for wood-

A fu branes in a man's hed are as

keep the small end ov.

What a blessed thing it is that we

further trouble

the bat.

this vexed topic.

sioner of patents for the year 1872 has to admit of their bustles lapping over just been issued from the government | the ballot might go to thunder for all printing office. It gives a complete they care." alphabetical list of patents for the year, 13,500 in number, with name, residence and invention, alphabetical lists of innever sets on the queen's dominions. ventions, designs, re-issues, extensions, disclaimers and trade marks. In addi- the reason why?" asked John. "Because tion to this technical information there God is afraid to trust an Englishman in is a considerable amount of statistical, the dark," was the savage's reply. official and general matter, which conveys some idea of the vast field of scientific and mechanical progress cov-

lean men over fat ones, to which Sir
Alexander promptly rejoined that
judges were, as a rule, meagre, because
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final fee. The following were the nationalities

sessed value. CHUNKS OF WISDOM.-Most people are like an egg, too phull of themselfs to hold enny thing else. "Misery luvs kompany," but kan't bear kompetishun; there ain't noboddy The following shows the number of but what thinks there bile is the sorest oile in markit. To be a big man among big men, iz

and like its parent iz an arogant brat. Excentricitys are most alwas artyfi-

them iz, they are quite az often the result ov diffidence as ov vanity. If i want tew git at the trew karakter Those who expekt tew keep themselves pure in this life must keep their souls bileing all the time, like a pot,

It don't do tew trust a man tew much 665,595,00 who iz alwus in a hurry, he iz like a ssmire, whose heart and bones lays in There iz nothing so delishus tew the soul ov man as an ockasional moment

> seen, or ever will see, hav bin the virtewons heathen. Men don't fail so often in this world from a want of right motives az they do from lack ov grip. There iz only two men in this world who never make eny blunders, and they are yu and me, mi friend. Yung man, yu kant learn ennything by hearing yourself talk, but yn may possibly bi hearing others. There iz lots ov folks in this world whom yu kan blo up like a bladder, and then kik them az high az yu plez. I hav alwas notissed one thing, that when a cunning man burns his fingers every body hollers for joy. I sumtimes distinguish between talent and genius in this way : A man of talent kan make a whissel out of a pig's tale, but it takes a man of genius to

a goose stands on one leg so much to rest the leg as to rest the goose, I wish some scientific man would tell me I had rather be a child again than to be the autokrat of the world. There is newmerous individuals the land who look upon what they

haint got az the only things worth hav There is those who kant laff with impunity; if they ain't stiff and sollum they ain't nothing. One man ov genius to 97 thousand four hundred and 42 men ov talent iz

just about the rite perproshun for aktu-Veentilashun iz a good thing, but when a man kant lay down and aleep in 10 aker lot without taking down lengths f fence to let the wind in he iz alto-

gether too airish. I think that a ben who undertakes tew lay 2 eggs a day must necessarily neglekt sum other branch ov bizziness. Thare iz "menny a slip between a cup and a lip," but not haff az menny az there ought tew be. Rather than not hav faith in enny thing, i am willing tew be leat 9 times out ov 10. I dont never hav enny trubble in re-

other pholks straight iz what bothers me. - Josh Billings. Texas Doctor on a Case of Fever. First Doctor-It's yellow fever.

gulating mi own kondukt, but tew keep

Second ditto-It's malarial, Third ditto-Tyhpo swampo. Fourth-It's epithalium of the thorax, perinduced by miasmatic memora-

Fifth-I have been practising twenty years with yellow fever, and the case referred to is purely bilious and bourbon Sixth-As for the remedy four grains

-Mr. Ruskin has now fallen afoul of firm ground in this shifty controversy is France; Lower Bengal has a population velop itself into a neck by mooving alscolar. In short, will you insure me a good time, generally, and keep off all sense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense, and so on to the end of the chapsense are so that the fat boy at school is usually a controversy is in respect to Dr. Kenealey's position, that the fat boy at school is usually a continual hearing of a steam-whistle,

COLUMBIA

COLUMBIA, TENNESSEE, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1873.

A shantee-Land. Its Wealth, Customs and Religion. The following leading article from the London Dairy Telegraph embodies some interesting information relative to the Ashantees, their manners and customs: The Ashantee nation is a great African power. It numbers about 3,000,000 souls, of whom some 200,000 are warriors, well made, muscular, war-loving distinguish by cleanliness, handsome except in regard to their worse than Dahomevan cruelties. Every twentyone days they hold an adai, or "blood sustom," at which rum and palm wine having been drank like water, skulls are carried in procession to the sound of drums made with human skin, and most forward. At the annual "Yam-festival," just now coming on, they celebrate

a still bloodier carnival of death, and whenever a caboceer or freeman dies, slaves are killed to "wet his grave. They eat the heart and drink the blood of a conquered enemy, and wear the teeth and fingerbones as ornaments. When the king dies, thousands of wretched slaves and attendants are slaughtered over his tomb; in a word, it is a land of murder. It was meant by nature to be a land of peace and plenty, for beyond the thick forests which lie along the coasts stretches a fertile and healthy country of rich black soil, growing two or three crops yearly, and full of vegetable wonders and glories as yet unnamed. The fruits and flowers of Ashantee-land are said to be perfectly marvellous; it boasts an entirely new citron and a tall tree bearing magnificent goblet-shaped blossoms,

while the sugar-cane grows wild. Curious animals, such as the bird called 'pookoe," and the huge corpse-eating arompo" rat, are found in the woods and clearings. Reptiles are horribly plentiful, including enormous boas; a peculiar puff-adder, whose bite is certain death; scorpions as big as crayfish, and toads so large that Bosman took the first he saw for a land tortoise. The possible productions of such a region are vast and various; but its fertility is drowned in bloodshed, and gold is the chief article exported. In that metal Ashantee-land must be fabulously rich; the chiefs wear golden

breast-plates and golden or gilded warcaps. The carbooceers go about with lumps of virgin gold hung upon their necks and wrists, some weighing, it is said, four pounds and more; and Bowditch has described golden windowframes in the king's palace at Coomassie, as well as an almost universal use of cloths embroidered with gold thread, and adorned with thin plates of the

was your money. You would be the precious metal. After the battle of "neace money" 6,000 ounces of dust and nuggets; and the swords muskets, and elephant-tail fans are described as being profusely enriched with goldsmith's work. The people are, however, very cunning at debasing the ngots, so much so as to equal European emistry in this respect. The governnent is a despotic monarchy; the relion Fetishism, modified by African slamism, the effect of Mahometan eighborhood on the north. Tkey beieve in a great spirit, who, they say, reated six white and six black people and gave the latter the first cho tween a calabash and a sealed paper. The blacks took the calabash, contained gold, iron, maize and all the wealth of nature; and the whites got the scroll, which contained instructions in the right use of all these products.

Thus the whites are for ever superior,

as the Ashantees have found out in many

Beginning Right.

together nigh forty years, and she is

about as good as the best of 'em. There

ain't no trouble in having a good wife

if you jest start right. It's all in the

was called a putty gal, and so she was,

I had already plenty of meat and bacon,

thing, but got dinner for her and me,

and she eat jest as hearty as if she had

monstrous tired, and I said to her,

Where's my dinner?' She said, 'Look

cook for no man, and if you want

here, Pleasant Batkins, I ain't gwine to

your dinner, you must cook it yourself."

see. I cooked dinner without saying

anything, and after she and me eat,

went across the road and cut three

'chinkerpin' switches, and went back,

and if ever you seed a gal get a larrup-

ing, I gave her one then and thar. She

went straight to her mother's, as I ex-

pected she would, and next morning I

went after her with a long switch. She

man wants to sit down to; and from

that hour to this, me and Sukey ain't

had no more trouble. If you ever get

the Pall Maul Gazette gives some

interesting statistics, from which

mmigrating; but more than one-half

to be torn down, and two public schoolhonses constructed from the material.

the following:

Here the pint was reached, as you will

city, ft.

200,000 souls.

dent of the late war :

a sharp trial, and latterly at Elmina. "Mine, too," said Margaret Ann. had come to like her so. And then poor

until closing hour, and to be very merciused to woman's fixings, my coat caught

ences with Lilly, and signed a written little thing, and it made my blood run contract with her for six months. She cold. was to be cashier, you know, as I told If that was the key Lilly had lost Margaret Ann couldn't help her- what was it doing there? I didn't dare

said nothing after that, and Sam and walked the floor all night; but my mind fally were as happy as young birds. I was made up. believe he proposed to her behind my At 9 o'clock I met that boy and girl at counter; I knew he did it somewhere, the store, and told them I should be gone all the day. In ten minutes more "Lord bless you," says I to myself, I stole Lilly's key from under the counter and help you to build your nest. I'm and went to the house, to her little room on the third floor, and entered it like a A fews days after I found Margaret thief. It was very poor, and very bare, was a closet in it, with a few dresses woman is hanging upon pegs, and a bonnet box on always right about another woman, a shelf. Into this closet I went, and Men admire a pretty face, so they are there I sat down on an old trunk and always blinded by it. It was always so waited. I heard a queer old clock tick-

splendid until I've proved that she saying to myself: "If you are a wicked, suspicious old was'nt by telling him things. Now I've But I waited still, and just as long black hands pointed at half-past one, I

heard such a knock as my sister-in-law

bed afterward. "I hardly think you'll marry Sam. Spencer after all, Miss Lilly," she said aloud, with a wicked toss of her head. "I've outwitted you." "Not quite," said I. "Margaret Ann,

'So you're in the habit of coming

Margaret Ann did it. She was as pale